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In the application of:

Rachel MYERS, *et al.*

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated October 22, 2002, for which a response was due on November 22, 2002, and for which a two month extension of time is also requested to extend the time for response from November 22, 2002 to January 22, 2003.

Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1-3 and 6, drawn to DNA encoding a phospholipase, host cell comprising thereof and a method of producing polypeptide), without

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traverse. Applicants expressly reserves their right under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to file a divisional application directed to the nonelected subject matter during the pendency of this application, or an application claiming priority from this application.

In addition, prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: